

BOOK NOTICE

Lac Cultivation in India Being a Second and Revised Edition of "A Practical Manual of Lac Cultivation" By P. M. Glover, published in June, 1931. By P. M. Glover. The Indian Lac Research Institute. Namkum, Ranchi, Bihar, India, 1937, viii + 147 p., 16 pl., incl. 2 col'd, 9 fig. Price Rs. 2/-.

In the June 1935 issue of THE JOURNAL OF THE NEW YORK ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY, there was reviewed briefly a report of the Indian Lac Research Institute. Now there has appeared, "a practical manual of lac cultivation" by Mr. Glover, which should be of interest to American entomologists, if not in a practical way, at least as indicative of the entomological problems in other parts of the world. The present work includes the practical results that were developed at the Institute during the past six years and brings up to date certain sections of the first edition. There are twenty-two chapters, covering an account of the lac insect, lac production, lac prices and cultivation, propagation, pruning and inoculation of lac hosts, the manufacture of shellac, the use of various lac hosts, lac cultivation in various countries, enemies of lac and lac host trees, a list of host trees, a glossary of terms, and a bibliography. Mr. Glover has written a detailed specific and comprehensive manual of lac cultivation, which should be invaluable to the educated cultivators of lac in India and elsewhere. After reading Mr. Glover's book, skipping only the list of host trees and the glossary, I have a better appreciation of the lac industry and a more orderly knowledge of its entomological aims, accomplishments and difficulties.

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